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| In re application of: | William Michael Lafferty |) |
| Serial No.: | 10/084,552 |) |
| Filed: | February 25, 2002 |) Art Unit) 2877 |
| For: | GIGAMATRIX HOLDING TRAY HAVING THROUGH-HOLE WELLS |))) |
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SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION

Hon. Commissioner for Patents Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

I, William Michael Lafferty, the inventor named in the above-identified patent application, hereby declare: that I am a citizen of the United States of America; that my residence and post office address is 1456 Sanford Lane, Encinitas, California 92024; that I verily believe I am the original, first, and sole inventor of the subject matter of the invention or discovery for which a patent is sought and which is described and claimed in the above-identified application; that the subject matter of the amendment in the Office Action

dated March 10, 2004 was part of my invention and was invented before the filing of the original, above-identified, patent application; that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the specification of the above-identified application, including the claims, as amended by the amendments referred to above; and that I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Section 1.56(a) of Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

I claim the benefit under Section 120 of Title 35 of the United States Code of the earlier filed pending application, Serial No. 09/894,956 filed June 27, 2001, which is a continuation-in-part of pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/687,219, filed October 12, 2000, which is a continuation-in-part of pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/444,112, filed November 22, 1999, which is a continuation-in-part of pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/876,276, filed June 16, 1997; additionally, the present application is a continuation-in-part of pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/636,778, filed August 11, 2000, which application is a continuation and claims the benefit of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/098,206, filed June 16, 1998, which issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,174,673 on January 16, 2001, which is a continuation-in-part of pending U. S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/876,276, filed June 16, 1997; and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the earlier filed pending application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Section 112 of Title 35 of the United States Code, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information, as defined in Section 1.56(a) of Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations, which occurred between the filing date of the earlier filed application and the filing date of this application.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful, false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful, false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Signed at SAN DIEGO, CALIFORMA, this Z day of September, 2004.

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